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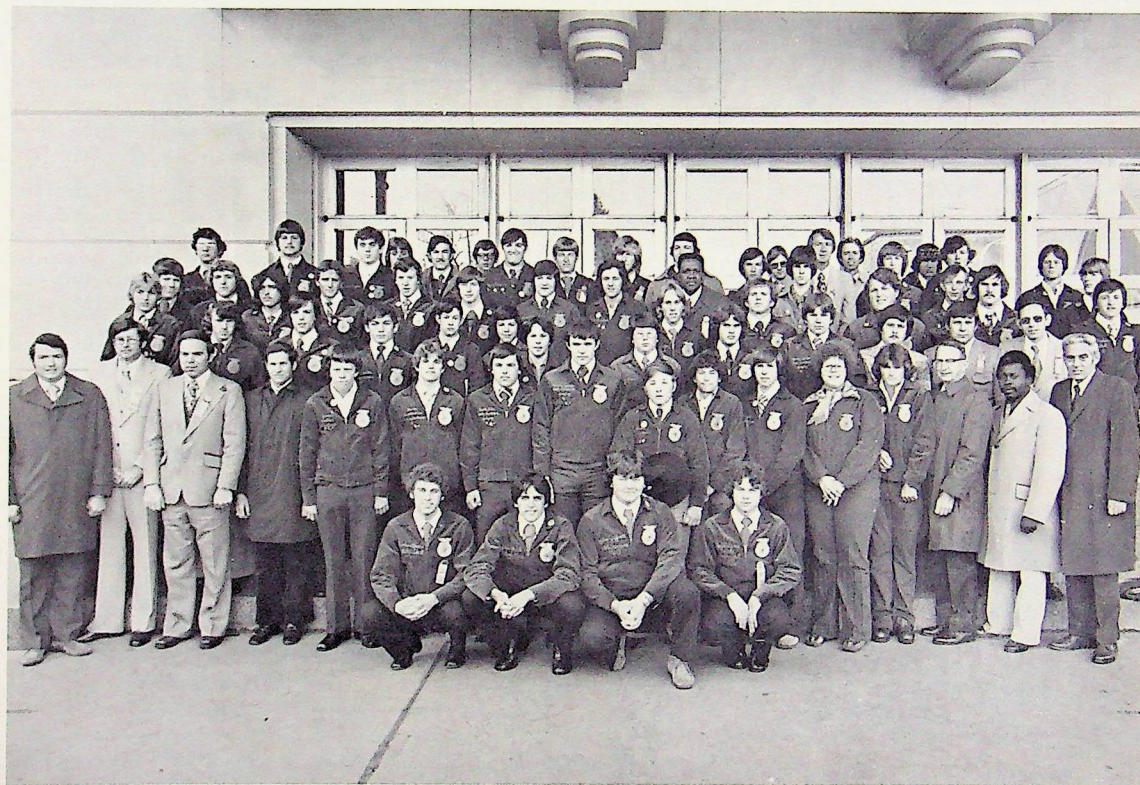
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## COVER PHOTO

The 1976 South Carolina FFA delegation to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. See other Convention information this issue.

## NOTES from the Executive Secretary



### TO FUTURE FARMERS

by J. Earl Frick, Jr.

The South Carolina Association of Future Farmers of America was represented by an outstanding delegation to the 1976 National FFA Convention in Kansas City November 9-13. Seventy-three members, advisors and lay people enjoyed the sights and sounds of the 49th National Convention. Congratulations to the chapters and individuals who were recognized for their excellent accomplishments in FFA.

Every chapter should take advantage of the 1977 nationwide FFA WEEK celebration to gain public awareness for vocational agriculture and the FFA. Your chapter received an information packet from the National FFA Supply Service with some excellent ideas as well as official supplies that are available to promote FFA. The theme is "FFA — Agriculture's NEW Generation." Let's join together to gain nationwide publicity for our organization February 19-26, 1977.

We have a potential FFA membership of over 12,000 in South Carolina, but we have been holding at approximately 7000 members for the past few years. Please do your part to help us close the gap between actual FFA membership and student enrollment in vocational agriculture. Our state association could be much stronger and we would have more funds available for financing FFA contest and awards programs for our members if we could realize our membership potential.

Take advantage of your FFA membership and participate in FFA activities during the year.

### TO YOUNG FARMERS

By Hugh P. McClimon

The 29th Annual State Convention will be held in Columbia on January 21-22, 1977 at the Sheraton-Columbia Inn. The State Officers have planned what should be a very interesting and educational program. All chapters are encouraged to be well represented and should have two voting delegates attending the entire convention. The Attendance Award will be given to the chapter accumulating the most points for all sessions.

The General Session will begin at 2:00 p.m. and will include presentations by Clemson University personnel on three topics that are of vital interest to Young Farmers. One will deal with "Changes in Estate Tax Laws" and another, "Insurance for the Farm Business" as related to "Estate Planning." Following the break at 3:30 p.m. will be "International Trade and the U. S. Agricultural Outlook." The session will conclude with the Business Session. "Let's Make Terrariums" is the topic for the Ladies Program which also begins at 2:00 p.m.

Contest awards will be presented during the Banquet Session at 7:00 p.m. and all members and guests will want to hear the speaker, Rev. Hubert A. Dunlap of Batesburg. The Square Dance, which is a favorite with many members and guests, will follow after a short recess. Highlighting the Breakfast Session at 8:30 a.m. will be an address by the newly appointed Commissioner of Agriculture, G. Bryan Patrick, Jr., along with reports on the Summer Farm Tour and National Institute.

Make your plans to attend.

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# VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TEACHERS CITED

## RETIREES



L/R, Mason, Hall, Johnson, Smoak



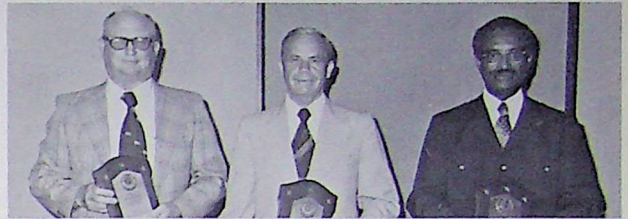
L/R, Chastain, Jeffords, Rankin, Sherrod, Davis

Twelve outstanding vocational educators retired at the end of the 1975-76 school year. They are: G. E. Mason, Walhalla; F. M. Hall, Dacusville; J. W. Johnson, Pickens AVC; R. P. Smoak, Rock Hill CDC; J. B. Chastain, Britton's Neck; A. B. Jeffords, Lamar, J. A. Rankin, Loris; J. M. Sherrod, Edisto, W. J. Davis, Ridge Spring-Monetta; S. C. Vinson, Berea; H. R. Caston, Boiling Springs; and T. L. Lane, Johnsonville.

The S. C. Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association recognized the twelve members retiring in 1976 at the Annual Teachers Conference held at Clemson University. A silver engraved tray was awarded to each retiree in appreciation of his outstanding, long and devoted service to the vocational agricultural education program in South Carolina. They were also honored for their development of agricultural leadership through the Future Farmers and Young Farmers organizations and their outstanding contributions to the communities in which they have worked.

## SERVICE AWARDS

### 30 YEAR



Left to right, E. B. Earle, McBee; R. R. Foster, Fairfield AVC; John Harris, Roberts (Orangeburg.)

### 20 YEAR



Left to right, Willie McLaughlin, Jr., Greenwood AVC; T. B. Huffman, Laurens AVC; Levan Wilson, Bishopville; Dr. Alex Hash, Clemson University. Absent when picture was made: H. L. Beach, Bowman; McKeever Hemingway, Bennettsville; and R. D. Matthews, Williams Memorial (St. George).

### 10 YEAR



Left to right, Mark Shealy, Hartsville; Gordon Cartrette, Marion-Mullins AVC; C. L. Toomer, Colleton. Absent when picture was made. B. R. Anderson, Timmons ville; Vance Clink-scales, Jr., Travelers Rest; and Leroy Tanner, Harleyville-Ridgeville.

Plaques and service awards are awarded to teachers of agriculture on behalf of the S. C. Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association by the Federal Land and Federal Intermediate Credit Banks of Columbia in recognition of outstanding service to education in agriculture and community development.



# S. C. Future Farmers Attend National Convention



Heading the 73 member South Carolina delegation to the National FFA Convention were, left to right, Charles Stancil, State President from Berea, and Jay Williams, Vice President from Pleasant Hill. The official delegates make up the voting body of the convention.

The 73 member South Carolina FFA delegation joined more than 19,000 FFA members and their adult guests and participated in the 49th National FFA Convention while 200 students and adult leaders from 30 countries participated in sessions of the World Conference held in conjunction with the National FFA Convention.

Members of the half million member FFA organization were drawn to Kansas City by a program that included Astronaut Charles Duke, Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture Jon Wefald, Paul Anderson, Texas A & M Student Body President Fred McClure, and Donald N. McDowell, a member of the National Advisory Council on Vocational Education. An expanded exhibition of agricultural career opportunities attracted thousands of members to the Auditorium's Exhibition Hall.

National FFA President Bobby Tucker called the convention to order. An audio visual presentation on the FFA theme "FFA — Agriculture's New Generation" set the stage for the three days of convention activities that included eight National FFA Contests related to the vocational agriculture instruction program and the presentation of over 2500 awards to members.

Astronaut Charles M. Duke spoke to FFA members about the challenges ahead for them in an ever more technological world. Illustrating his talk with a film of his now famous walk on the moon, Duke

told the FFA members that technology that now seems to be only a dream will one day be true just as his moon walk is now a reality.

Johnny Bowman, who is a sophomore in the vocational agriculture program at Aurora, Missouri, was presented the two millionth FFA jacket produced in the 30 year history of the National FFA Supply Service.

FFA members listened intently as Paul Anderson, "The World's Strongest Man" told them not to be afraid to be an individual. You can be part of a group, Anderson told them, but don't be afraid to "stand alone," even though it may not be the popular thing to do.

Jon Wefald, Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture, urged conventioners to take a more active role in telling the story of agriculture to the American public. Citing agriculture as the backbone of the American economy, Wefald, told the FFA members to be more aggressive in promoting agricultural products of their states.

Tony Pollard, a 22-year-old grist mill operator and hog producer from Hartford, Alabama, was named Star Agribusinessman of America. The Star Farmer and Star Agribusinessman of America awards are recognized as the nation's top awards for young men becoming established in careers in farming and agribusiness.

A capacity crowd jammed into the Municipal Auditorium for the presentation of Proficiency Awards and the spectacular "Stars over America" pageant. The program was aimed at recognizing FFA members for achievements in preparation for careers in production agriculture and agribusiness. Winners were selected from a field of four regional candidates for each of the 19 award areas by a panel of judges representing education, business, and industry.

Eight National FFA Contests were conducted in conjunction with the National Convention. The contests, involving 962 FFA members on 307 three-and-four member teams are conducted as a practical test of skills and abilities learned in the vocational agriculture classroom. This year contests were held in eight instructional areas: livestock, poultry, dairy cattle, milk quality and dairy foods, agricultural mechanics, horticulture, meats, and new for 1976, a contest in Farm Business Management.

Donald N. McDowell, a member of the National Advisory Council on Vocational Education, addressed the convention. McDowell told a capacity audience that it was important that the FFA take an active role internationally. McDowell emphasized the need for food and the tie between food, international understanding, and world peace.



# NATIONAL AWARDS

## ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE



Members of the South Carolina FFA State Ornamental Horticulture team were presented a plaque for their participation in the National FFA contest in Kansas City by Ray Brush, left, secretary of the American Association of Nurserymen. Team members Wayne Parrish, Gary Starnes, Larry Turney and Everette McLean were accompanied by their advisor and coach, Wesley Carter, of the Rock Hill CDC.

The Rock Hill team competed against 40 other teams from throughout the nation. The team received a silver award plaque. Larry Turney received the individual gold medal award. Receiving the silver medal were Everette McLean and Wayne Parrish.

Team members participated in events to test their judging and identification skills in nursery and floral products. In addition, contestants took a written examination testing general knowledge of such subjects as plant anatomy, growing media and diagnosis of plant disorders. The Rock Hill team spent many hours preparing for the national contest.

## NATIONAL SAFETY



Members of the Greenville FFA chapter attended the National FFA Convention in Kansas City where they received special recognition for the chapter's achievements in the National FFA Safety Awards Program. William Seward, second from left, of Dow Chemical and Richard McElheny, left, of Farm and Industrial Institute, extended congratulations to chapter safety representatives, left to right, Tommy Davis, Edward Loftis, and their advisor J. T. Black, on earning the National Safety Gold Award. The Bowman chapter was recognized as achieving the silver emblem award but was not present at the convention.

The FFA Chapter Safety Program is designed to make students aware of the causes of accidents and how they can be prevented.

## LIVESTOCK JUDGING



The Saluda High School FFA state livestock team was presented a plaque for their participation in the National FFA Contest at Kansas City by Roger Hurst, left, manager, Youth Communications Division, Ralston Purina Company. Team members David Chariker, Russell Johnson, Ronnie Able and Frazier Riley, Jr. were accompanied by their advisor and coach, far right, W. A. Whitfield, of Saluda High School. Forty eight teams entered the national competition for a gold, silver or bronze plaque award. The Saluda team was presented a silver award plaque. Individual members Russell Johnson and David Chariker were presented silver award medals, Ronnie Able a bronze medal, and Frazier Riley, Jr. a gold medal award in livestock showmanship.

The national contest is a competition activity in which young men and women test their ability to select top quality livestock needed for successful production and marketing. Only FFA members who are currently following a planned course of study in vocational agriculture are eligible to compete.



# NATIONAL AWARDS

## AMERICAN FARMER DEGREES



Present to receive the degree in person were, left to right: Dwain Simpson, Crescent; Eddie Leonard, Byrnes; Glenn Simpson, Crescent; Derwin Rish and Edwin Rish, Pelion; Rolland Simpson, Crescent; and Dan Gentry, Pendleton.

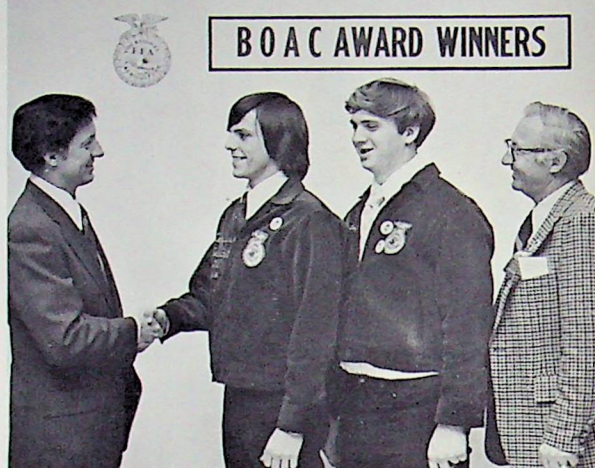
Eleven South Carolina FFA members received the American Farmer Degree at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. This is the highest degree obtainable in the FFA. South Carolinians earning the top award were: STEPHEN CANN, Abbeville (S. H. Keaton, advisor); CARL CATO, Hillcrest (M. O. Alexander, advisor); DAN GENTRY, Pendleton (Royce Caines, advisor); BENJAMIN HARDEE, Loris (J. A. Rankin, advisor); EDDIE LEONARD, Byrnes (G. P. Jones, advisor); DERWIN RISH and EDWIN RISH, Pelion (Freddie Waltz, advisor); JERRY ROSS, Hillcrest (Sol Price, advisor); DWAIN SIMPSON, GLENN SIMPSON, AND ROLLAND SIMPSON, Crescent (H. S. Clinkscales, advisor). This degree is presented to approximately one FFA member per thousand in any given year. Each degree recipient was presented a certificate and gold key from the National FFA organization plus a cash travel allowance to the National FFA Convention from the FFA Foundation.

FFA members are eligible for the American Farmer Degree after having earned the State Farmer Degree in their state. They must also have been an active member of the FFA continuously for at least three years and have an outstanding record of participation in activities of the local chapter and state association. They must show evidence of becoming successfully established in an agricultural occupation. In addition, the member must have earned at least \$1000 by his own efforts from his supervised farm or other agricultural occupation experience program.

## BOAC AWARD

### 49th ANNUAL FFA CONVENTION

### FFA - AGRICULTURE'S NEW GENERATION



Greenville High School FFA officers and their advisor received national recognition for achievement in community development at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. W. H. Walker, III, left, Assistant Secretary of Rural Development, U.S.D.A., greeted (second from left to right) Tommy Davis, chairman of the chapter's FFA community development committee; Edward Loftis, chapter president; and FFA advisor J. T. Black.

BOAC provides leadership development opportunities to members by giving them a chance to work with community leaders and organizations. The GREENVILLE CHAPTER received the silver award plaque. The BOWMAN FFA CHAPTER was also recognized as a silver emblem winner but did not attend the convention.

## AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

The South Carolina FFA State Agricultural Mechanics team was greeted in Kansas City by a representative of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company. Members of the team are: Dennis Quattlebaum, Delane Riley, Mark Whittle, and Nicky Watson, all students at Saluda High School. W. A. Whitfield is their vocational agriculture teacher, chapter advisor and team coach. Delane Riley received the individual silver medal award and Mark Whittle received the bronze medal.

The contest is one of many educational activities at the National Convention in which FFA members put into practice the lessons taught in the vocational agriculture classroom.



## AWARDS CONTINUED

### WALKER HONORED



John T. Walker, Jr., Chief of Farmer Programs, Federal Housing Administration, was among the individuals presented a distinguished service citation at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. This award was made in recognition of the contributions that Mr. Walker has made personally and to his organization for sponsoring the BOAC program in South Carolina.

### CELEBRATE '76 AWARDS

Throughout the past year FFA chapters across the nation have been conducting activities to help celebrate the Bicentennial. As a part of the celebration the National FFA organization initiated a national FFA bicentennial project entitled "Celebrate '76." This project was designed to encourage FFA chapters to participate in eight on-going FFA activities. The eight areas were explained in a brochure which was mailed to all chapters and included the following: Food for America; Washington FFA President's Conference; Building Our American Communities; FFA International; FFA Week; Farm Fest '76; FFA Calendar Program and FFA Alumni Association. Chapters completing one to four areas received the WHITE RIBBON AWARD: seven or eight areas completed the BON AWARD: seven or eight areas completed the BLUE RIBBON. ANDREWS CHAPTER (Gilmore McManus advisor) and GREENVILLE CHAPTER (J. T. Black advisor) received the RED RIBBON AWARD. MANCHESTER at FURMAN, Sumter (Drefus Williams advisor) received the WHITE RIBBON AWARD.

### NATIONAL CHAPTER

GREENVILLE FFA CHAPTER, J. T. Black, advisor, was recognized as a GOLD EMBLEM AWARD winner in the National FFA Chapter Awards Program. BOWMAN CHAPTER received the SILVER EMBLEM AWARD at the National Convention but was not present to receive the award. H. L. Beach is the Bowman advisor.

### PROFICIENCY AWARD

JOHN RIDDLE of the GREENVILLE FFA CHAPTER was recognized as the SOUTHERN REGIONAL WINNER in the HORSE PROFICIENCY AWARD. He was not present at the convention.

### NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS

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Vice President: Julie Alice Smiley, 19, 1765 Smiley Drive, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273

### YOUNG FARMER STATE CONVENTION JANUARY 21-22, 1977

### NATIONAL FFA WEEK FEBRUARY 19-26, 1977

### NATIONAL FFA WEEK THEME "FFA-AGRICULTURE'S NEW GENERATION"



# YOUNG FARMER SUMMER TOUR



**REGISTRATION**



**GETTING ACQUAINTED**



**COKE BREAK AT SHULERS**



**WEATHERS HERD IN CONFINEMENT**

The S. C. Association of Young Farmers sponsored the second annual most successful summer tour for members and guests. This year's tour was sponsored by Bowman, Holly Hill and St. George Young Farmer chapters. Some 102 Young Farmers and their wives visited four farms in the Edisto area of South Carolina, two of which were owned by Young Farmers.

The first stop was a dairy farm owned by Robert and Gayle Shuler. Robert had been working with his father on a dairy farm since 1960 and in February 1971 he took over the dairy and farm operations. The dairy herd consists of approximately 163 cows, 14 registered cows, 100 grade heifers, 12 registered heifers, 3 bulls and a few steers. The herd is production tested with a current DHIA rolling herd average of 15,100 lbs. of milk and 508 lbs. of butter fat. The group observed a new double-six herringbone milking parlor, which can be converted into a double-eight. The system consists of a 2500 gallon milk tank, a sprinkler wash system in the holding pen, and three flush tanks for washing out the breeding area, milking parlor and holding pen. There are two bins for storage of grain and a 30 x 70 silo. The Shulers have three children, Robin, 10; Teresa, 5; and Martin, 3.

Weathers Farms, Inc. is owned by George Weathers, Jr. and Lawrence Weathers. The milking herd averages 625 head year-round. Cows are fed three times a day by a mixer truck with electronic scales. Feed is discharged into a bunk line trough. Manure collection is handled by a flush system. The liquid manure is pumped to a vibrating separator where solids are removed and sold to a firm to be used as lawn and garden fertilizer. All feed is grown on the farm which has 1800 acres under cultivation. Ten thousand tons of silage and 15,000 bales of hay are harvested each year.

Walworth Plantation specializes in custom finishing of cattle, both steers and heifers. Walworth has one of the most modern and different feed lots in the country. The feed lot has a capacity of 5000 head of cattle. All of the feed rations are formulated and mixed in the modern feed center located at the feed lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo L. Felkel are the owners of an efficient hog operation. For the past few years the farm operation has been centered on a very efficient farrow to finish confinement hog system. Hugo and his farm manager are now running 450 sows and feeding out all of the pigs, usually about 8000 per year. The Felkels plant approximately 700 acres of corn to be used for feed. All of the feeds are formulated, ground and mixed on the farm. As with most businesses, management is the key to success in this operation.

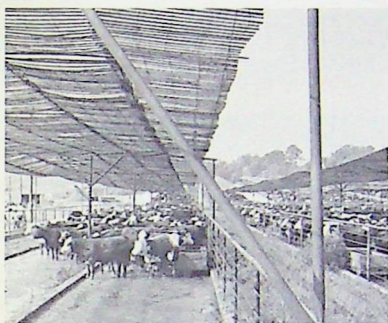
The S. C. Young Farmer Executive Committee would like to thank the following businesses for their contribution to the success of the second annual tour: Growers Chemical Corporation, Florence; McCurdy Seed Company, Manning; Walterboro and Orangeburg FLBAs and PCAs; and S. C. Electric and Gas Company, Denmark.



## SUMMER TOUR



STORAGE WEATHERS



WALWORTHS



WALWORTH'S FEED MILL



FELKELS



WEATHERS



SHULER'S DAIRY



ANSWERS AT FELKELS



LUNCH BOWMAN

## FAIRS



Jakie Fulmer, of the Pelion FFA chapter, is all business in the swine show at the S. C. State. It all paid off the him too as this sow swept Blue Ribbon as the junior champion in Duroc swine competition. Freddie Waltz is the vo-ag teacher and chapter advisor at Pelion.



Jeffrey Padgett, of the Pelion FFA chapter, makes last minute preparations for showing his two prize winning Duroc gilts at the S. C. State Fair.



Jack Patterson exhibits his prize winning Hereford heifer at the S. C. State Fair. Jack is a member of the Byrnes FFA chapter, Paul Jones, advisor.



Ricky Kneese (in the FFA jacket) is shown exhibiting his senior sow pig during the 1976 S. C. State Fair. Ricky is a member of the Pelion FFA chapter, Freddie Waltz, advisor.

The Pelion chapter had six hogs on exhibit at the Fair this year.



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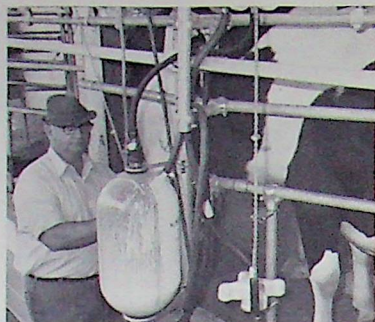
Three FFA members were winners of an expense-paid trip to the National FFA Convention. Trip awards are made by the Upper S. C. State Fair in the junior swine show. The awards are \$150 each. Winners shown above, left to right: Danny Beiler, Abbeville (S. H. Keaton, advisor), Dwain Brown, Crescent (H. S. Clinkscates, advisor); and Johnny Stribling, Woodruff (George R. King and S. M. Washington, advisors). These young men were tops in the swine fitting and showing in their federations.



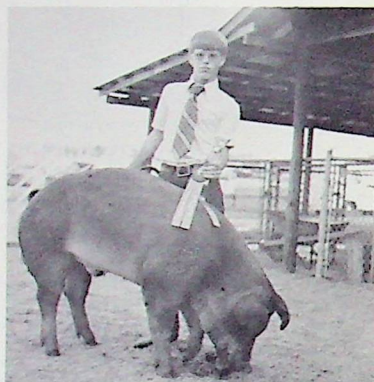
An unidentified FFA member from the Anderson FFA chapter (Larry Greer, advisor) is doing an excellent job of presenting his Angus heifer to the judge at the S. C. State Fair. This was a fitting and showing class.



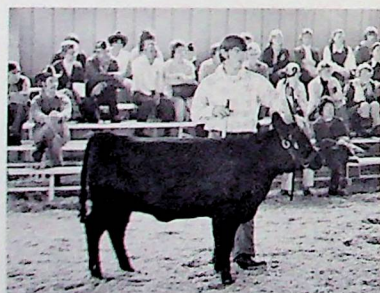
Dale Roper, of the Byrnes FFA chapter (Paul Jones, advisor) brings his prize winning entry in the Hereford cattle competition back to the barn after winning a red ribbon. The Byrnes chapter had six Herefords on exhibit at the State Fair this year.



The S. C. Purebred Dairy Cattle Association mans an exhibit each year at the S. C. State Fair to show people from kindergarten to old-age the latest models of milking cows. Harold Longshore, a dairyman from Saluda County, is shown demonstrating the milking procedure at the 1976 State Fair.

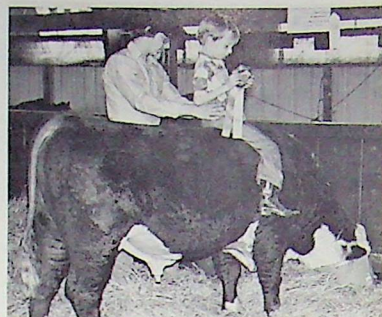


Tom Dobbins of the Pendleton FFA chapter is shown with his grand champion Duroc boar. He entered the swine competition at the Upper S. C. State Fair.

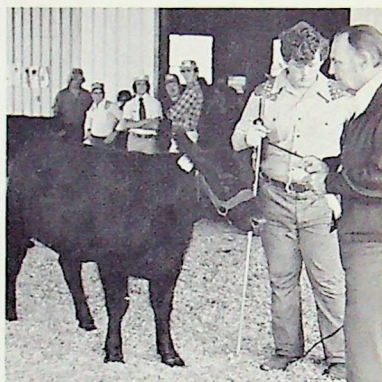


Calvin Gray exhibited his prize winning Angus at the S. C. State Fair. Calvin is from Darlington FFA chapter, G. S. McKenzie, advisor.

The Gray brothers exhibited six Angus at this year's Fair.



Paul Palmer showed this grand champion 2-year-old Hereford bull at the S. C. State Fair. His 6-year-old brother, Shannon, took delight in sitting atop the winner. Paul is from the FFA chapter at Greenwood AVC. His vo-ag teacher and chapter advisor is Willie McLaughlin, Jr.



Robbie Gray is shown receiving a ribbon from John Wise, Professor of Animal Science at Clemson University. Robbie won the ribbon in competition with other Angus exhibitors in the S. C. State Fair. Robbie is from the Darlington FFA chapter, G. S. McKenzie, advisor.



Sandra Simpson, of the Crescent FFA chapter, and Tom Dobbins, of the Pendleton FFA chapter, are shown with their respective grand champion sow and grand champion boar ribbons and trophies. These were won in competition at the Upper S. C. State Fair.



## Teachers Recognized YOUNG MEMBER AWARD



Corbett Gibson, Aiken AVC, right, received the state's outstanding young member award from the National Vice President of NVATA, sponsors of the program.

J. T. Black, Greenville, received the state and regional NVATA award for his outstanding program in career orientation. He was not present for the award.

## EXCHANGE OF IDEAS



Left to right, I. C. Gillespie, Orangeburg-Wilkinson; Freddie Waltz, Pelion; and W. W. Weldon, Florence AVC, received awards in the Exchange of Ideas contest sponsored by the Vo-Ag Teachers Association. The award was made at a banquet in connection with the vocational agriculture teachers conference at Clemson University.

## 30 MINUTE CLUB



The National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association recognized members who have had articles published in national magazines. They are shown, left to right, Joe Wilson, Aiken AVC; Harold Mackey, Belton-Honea Path; and Corbett Gibson, Aiken AVC. Absent when picture was made: Dr. Lloyd Blanton, Clemson University, and W. P. Lloyd, Walterboro. They received the award at a banquet in connection with the S. C. Vo-Ag Teachers Association at Clemson University.

## WELCOME NEW ADVISORS

Teachers of agriculture who are in new positions this year will influence career opportunities of approximately 1000 students. All of us in Agricultural Education welcome you and wish for you and your students a very successful year. The teachers, schools and counties are listed below: Barry Edmunds, Palmetto, Anderson; Joe Mike Price, Crescent, Anderson; Bruce Fox, Berea, Greenville; Mack T. Saxon, Hillcrest, Greenville; Henry L. Crouch, Saluda, Saluda; Edgar B. Johnson, Pickens AVC, Pickens; Dennis Haltiwanger, Boiling Springs, Spartanburg; Vance Clinkscales, Jr., Pendleton, Anderson; Ronnie Williams, Oakway, Oconee; J. Wesley Carter, Rock Hill CDC, York; John Crawford, Lexington AVC, Lexington; Benjamin Williams, John G. Richards, Richland; Jimmy Myers, Olanta, Florence; Eddie L. Matthews, Lake City AVC, Florence; Larry Watts, Darlington AVC, Darlington; Al Jeffords, Lamar, Darlington; William P. Lish, Walterboro, Colleton; Scott Crosby, Aiken, Aiken; James A. Spruill, Ruffin, Colleton; Claudia Smith, Meggett AVC, Charleston; and Carroll Wates, Barnwell AVC, Barnwell.

## Now is the Time . . .

- Enter a member of your chapter in all proficiency award programs and all state sponsored programs and awards.
- Have all qualified chapter members make application for the State Farmer Degree.
- Have every FFA member involved in carrying out the chapter program of work.
- Prepare for your chapter to participate in the following activities: public speaking, parliamentary procedure, livestock selection and evaluation, agricultural mechanics competition, and ornamental horticulture competition.
- Chapter to attend summer FFA camp.
- Chapter to attend officers leadership training.
- Chapter have at least two delegates attend State FFA Convention.
- Participate in National FFA Week February 19-26, 1977.





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